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Steve Schneider, President
Tim Dyke, Pres. Pro-Tem
Richard Lauer
Dave Love
Gary Peltier
Richard Tobias
Thomas Umphenour

**ALMONT VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
September 17, 2013**

CALL TO ORDER

President Schneider called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Schneider led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present: Dyke, Lauer, Love, Peltier, Tobias, Umphenour, Schneider

Councilmembers Absent: None

Staff Present:	Village Manager	Oliver Turner
	Clerk/Treasurer	Kimberly Keesler
	DPW Superintendent	Bryan Treat

Guests Present: 23 Students

COMMUNICATIONS

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Peltier seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the agenda.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Peltier seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve the following consent agenda items:

1. Public Hearing Minutes (Grabill Purchased Equipment), September 3, 2013.
2. Public Hearing Minutes (Grabill Leased Equipment), September 3, 2013.
3. Regular Meeting Minutes, September 3, 2013. Clerk/Treasurer notified Council there was a typographical correction in Resolution No. 13-09-02 that was made to reflect the fact Resolution No. 13-09-02 pertained to leased equipment.
4. Warrant #13-09-B Checks #31863 – 31912
5. August Water Report
6. August DPW Activity Report
7. August WWTP Report
8. August Police Report
9. Payroll Report Checks# 15465 – 15475, DD# 384 – 407, EFT# 30

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Reappointment of Mr. Mike Flaherty to Zoning Board of Appeals

President Schneider re-appointed Mr. Mike Flaherty to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term ending December 31, 2016.

Councilmember Dyke moved, Councilmember Umphenour seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to ratify President Schneider's re-appointment of Mr. Mike Flaherty to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term ending December 31, 2016.

2. Resolution No. 13-09-03 – Ratification of Joint Master Plan

Village Manager Turner provided a synopsis of how the Joint Master Plan was developed, informed the Council that both the Village and Township Planning Commissions had passed resolutions to adopt the plan and that Village Attorney Howell recommended Council ratify the Joint Master Plan.

Councilmember Lauer moved, Councilmember Dyke seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, to approve Resolution No. 13-09-03 of support of the Master Plan.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Umphenour, Dyke, Lauer, Love, Peltier, Tobias, Schneider

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

3. Resolution No. 13-09-04 – PA 152 Compliance

Councilmember Lauer moved, Councilmember Peltier seconded, **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**, adopt Resolution No. 13-09-04 to comply with the provisions of Public Act 152 of 2011 by exercising the Village's rights to exempt itself from the requirements of the act for the next immediate medical plan year.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Dyke, Lauer, Love, Peltier, Tobias, Umphenour, Schneider

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

4. ROWE Water System Analysis Proposal

Manager Turner explained he had asked ROWE to submit a proposal that would provide for research and analysis regarding how the Village staff can most effectively manage its water system assets and position itself most favorably for any future, potential contract negotiations with DWSD. DPW Superintendent Treat was in attendance to answer questions from Council.

Councilmember Tobias moved, Councilmember Dyke seconded, with Love dissenting, **MOTION PASSED**, to approve ROWE's proposal to provide a water system analysis in an amount not to exceed \$3,875.

5. Medical Marijuana Moratorium

Councilmember Tobias moved, Councilmember Umphenour seconded, with Dyke, Lauer, Love, Peltier, and Schneider dissenting, **MOTION FAILED**, to rescind the previous motion to rescind the moratorium

OPEN DISCUSSION

1. Renaissance Marketing Zone Approval

Manager Turner explained the Village of Almont was approved by the MEDC to receive a Renaissance Marketing Zone. It was the consensus of Council to remain in the NMDC and not review its membership in the organization at this time.

2. Financial Position Report

COUNCIL/MANAGER COMMENT

Councilmember Peltier noted that on September 8th at 2:30 a.m., a semi-truck was traveling north on M-53 and used its air brakes, breaking seven pictures from his ~~the~~-wall. Manager Turner e-mailed the Branch Manager of the MDOT Transportation Service Center and MDOT stated the Village cannot place a "No ~~Air~~Engine Braking" sign in MDOT's right-of-way. Manager Turner will contact other municipalities to see what they have done to address such events.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Kimberly J. Keesler
Clerk/Treasurer

Steve Schneider
President

Approved Date: October 1, 2013, as corrected